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TO:

Minerals File

FROM:

Tony Gallegos, Reclamation Engineer All

RE:

Site Inspection, Thomas American Stone, Aragonite Quarry, M/045/031,

Tooele County, Utah

Date of Inspection:

June 28, 1994

Time of Inspection:

1130 - 1245

Conditions:

Clear skies, hot

Participants:

Tony Gallegos, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To examine the current status of the mine site.

There was no one present at the site during the inspection. This inspection was not originally planned and so the operator had not been contacted. The inspection began at the north end of the large quarry. The switchback road to the mouth of the north quarry shows no signs of recent travel. In general this side of the quarry showed no signs of recent activity. The old quarry area located north of the large quarry and on the north side of the road showed no signs of recent activity. Photos were taken from the hill located northeast of the north mouth of the large quarry. The photos show a view from the southwest to the southeast.

I then left the north end of the quarry and drove around to the south end of the large quarry. No one was present at this portion of the site either. An area in the bottom of the south side of the large quarry showed signs of recent activity. Other areas on the south side of the large quarry which show signs of activity are the pad area (where my truck was parked) and the quarry located south of the large quarry and on the south side of the access road. I took a photograph from the hillside located east of the large quarry looking from the south to the southwest. There is a large drawdown hole in the center of the large quarry. The hole appears to be due to breaking through to the underground workings. Another photo panorama was taken from the southwest edge of the south portion of the large quarry looking from the northeast to the east. Notice the fresh tire tracks in the bottom of the quarry in this photo set.



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Another photo was taken looking from the south to the southeast into the quarry located on the south side of the road. That is the small quarry area located south of the larger quarry. At this quarry there were no signs of activity on the same level as the access road; however, the middle showed signs of recent excavation or activity. There were no signs of activity in the old long quarry cut, located to the south of the small quarry described above. This long quarry is also on the south side of the access road and south of the large quarry. Photos were taken looking into the active portion of the small quarry.

I then visited the quarry located southeast of the large quarry and on the east side of the hill. This quarry is a cut into the hillside. The access road into this quarry from the north shows no signs of recent traffic. The access road coming from the south into the quarry does not appear to have been used for a considerable amount of time due to the amount and size of the vegetation present there. A photo panorama was taken looking from the northeast to the north along the quarry cut.

I then visited the shaft site. There were no signs of activity here. Photographs were taken of the fencing around the shaft and of the general area. I left the site shortly after this.

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cc: Lon Thomas, American Stone
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